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purpose of awakening interest in nature study among the teachers of the city.

The same number of the 'Bulletin' records the capture of a Frigate Bird (*Fregata aquila*) on Sullivan Island, Charleston harbor, on October 20, 1906, which makes the second record of this species for South Carolina.—J. A. A.

Shufeldt on the Osteology of the Tubinares.¹—Following a review of the literature of the general subject, are a few pages on the osteology of *Puffinus borealis*, with a half-tone figure of the skeleton, and a short discussion of the taxonomy and affinities of the Tubinares. The classification that seems to the author to be "natural" is the same as that given in Sharpe's 'Hand-List of Birds.'—J. A. A.

NOTES AND NEWS.

ALFRED NEWTON, an Honorary Fellow of the American Ornithologists' Union, died at Cambridge, England, June 8, 1907, at the age of 78 years. Prof. Newton was born in Switzerland, June 11, 1829, of English parents, he being the fifth son of William Newton, formerly member of Parliament for Ipswich, and of Elizabeth (Milnes), daughter of Richard Slater Milnes, formerly member of Parliament for York. He was graduated B. A., in 1853, at Magdalen College, Cambridge, and later, as a traveling Fellow of the College (1854–1863), visited Lapland, Iceland, the West Indies, and North America, and in 1864 he visited Spitzbergen. He was elected professor of Zoölogy and Comparative Anatomy at Magdalen College in 1864, which position he held at the time of his death.

Professor Newton was one of the twenty original members of the British Ornithologists' Union, founded in November, 1858 at Magdalen College, Cambridge, which organization resulted in the establishment of a Quarterly Magazine of Ornithology, 'The Ibis,' the first volume of which was published in 1859, under the editorship of Dr. P. L. Sclater. The second series of 'The Ibis' (1865–1870) was edited by Newton; he also prepared the bibliographical matter for the 'Aves' of the 'Zoölogical Record' for the years 1864–1869, and was editor of the 'Zoölogical Record,' 1870–1872. His principal publications are 'The Zoölogy of Ancient Europe' (1862), the 'Ornithology of Iceland' (1863), 'Oötheca Wolleyana' (1864–1907), 'Zoölogy' (1874, 1894), 'Yarrell's British Birds' (4th ed.,

¹ On the Osteology of the Tubinares. By R. W. Shufeldt. Amer. Nat., Vol. XLI, Feb. 1907, pp. 109–124.